



# Kent Prairie PTA Newsletter

## September 2012

### Welcome

At the beginning of this new school year, we want to extend a warm welcome to all Kent Prairie families. PTA is a support to all the students, staff, and families of the KP community. In order for us to do the best job possible, we need your help. We encourage you to take advantage of all the programs and activities our PTA has to offer. Please plan on attending some of our fun events with your child this year. All parents and family members are invited to join our PTA and attend PTA meetings. We want you!



### Love and Logic

KP PTA hosts this fabulous parenting class. 7 sessions on Tuesdays from 6:00-7:45pm on September 18, 25, October 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2012. The workbook costs \$10.00. Childcare provided. Our principal, Kathy Engell, and Mr. Allen Larson, graciously donate their time to teach parents this program.

### Legislative corner

Our WA State PTA Legislative Assembly will convene on October 19-20. Our legislative chair, Cindy Glunt, wants to know what PTA issues you consider most important. There will be link to the online survey on our Facebook page towards the end of September.

### General Membership Meeting

You're welcome to join us at our PTA meeting, September 27th, at 6:30 pm in the KP library. Our officers would love to meet you. We will be approving our standing rules, and discussing our plans for the school year. We always have door prizes, snacks, and childcare provided.



### Box Tops and Labels

Our next contest begins on the first day of school and ends on October 1st. We are now combining the two programs into one contest. Send in all your saved box tops and labels with your child. There are collections boxes in each classroom. Be sure to send your child searching through your cupboards. These labels are everywhere. Winning class in each pod receives a pizza party.

### Apparel

School spirit wear is now available for purchase until September 17th. Please send in your orders forms early, we are unable to process payments after the 17th. Order forms should have made it home in your child's backpack and are also available in the school office. Delivery date is October 8th.



## Eyeglasses Collection

We are still collecting eyeglasses to donate to the lions club. You can bring your gently used eyeglasses to the office, and help give the gift of sight and change someone's life.

## Membership Minute

Why join PTA?

- For more than 100 years, PTA has advocated for kids on the local, state and national level. Child labor laws, universal kindergarten, school breakfast and lunch programs, and universal immunization—these are all things we take for granted today but were each hard fought victories for PTA.
- PTA is committed to supporting legislation that protects children and ensures every child gets a great education.
- With more than 143,000 members, Washington State PTA is the largest volunteer association dedicated to the education, health, welfare, safety of all children in Washington State.
- When you join PTA, you support local, state and national efforts to improve the lives of children and their families.
- Also, all Kent Prairie PTA members will get \$.50 of their drink at Coffee Cabana this year.

## Fall Fundraiser

Our major fall fundraiser begins September 19th and ends Wednesday, October 3rd. We expect delivery to be during the week of Nov 12th. Our great new fundraising company is called "Believe Kids." This fundraiser has great incentives and rewards. The funds generated will provide many programs for the students here at KP.



## Pumpkin Night

Mark October 26th on your calendar for our family pumpkin carving night!

## Yearbook

Our yearbook committee chairperson has reached her final year, with her youngest child now in fifth grade. She is now looking for someone else to head it up with herself as a helper. We also need lots of pictures taken, perhaps you would like to volunteer to be the "photographer" at events and around the school. Contact our volunteer coordinator if you are interested.



## We Need You

Volunteers always needed! Please contact the KPE PTA Volunteer coordinator, Jessica Stickles, if you are interested in volunteering. She can help you find out what is available for your schedule and comfort level.

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